

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Friday, January 5, 2018.

Met at six minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pledge of allegiance.

Silent Tribute.

At the request of Mr. Collins of Boston, the members, guests and employees stood in a moment of silent tribute to the memory of John Flaherty of South Boston. John Flaherty.

Mr. Flaherty served in the United States Navy during the Korean War, was a Local 25 Teamster, Suffolk Superior Trial Court Officer, Bail Commissioner and co-owner of the Cornerstone Restaurant in South Boston.

He is survived by his children Frederick and Melissa (Pignatelli) Peterson, Todd and Diane (Shevory) Peterson, Nicole Peterson and beloved companion Jane (Peterson) Flaherty. The loving brother to Honorable Michael Flaherty and the late Margaret (McGlone) Flaherty, the late Mary (Flaherty) and Robert Devine, the late Winifred (Flaherty) and John McGrath, Anne-Marie (Flaherty) and Ronald Adams, Margaret (Flaherty) and Richard Swanson, the late Thomas Flaherty survived by his wife Jeanne, Eleanor (Flaherty) and William Kasper, and Francis and Cheryl (Fielder) Flaherty. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Message from the Governor.

The following message was received from the office of His Excellency the Governor, to wit: — Governor,—
list of
pardons.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
STATE HOUSE BOSTON, MA 02133

January 2, 2018.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In compliance with Chapter 127, Section 152 of the Massachusetts General Laws, I submit herewith a report of the exercise of the pardoning power by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017:

Pardons 0
Commutations 0

Respectfully,

CHARLES D. BAKER,
Governor.

The message (House, No. 4106) was read; and it was sent to the Senate for its information.

Papers from the Senate.

Framingham,—
civil service.

The House Bill clarifying the applicability of the civil service laws to employee positions in the city of Framingham (House, No. 4047), came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

“SECTION 4. This act shall take effect as of December 31, 2017.”

The amendment was referred, under Rule 35, to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading. Subsequently the amendment (having been reported by said committee to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith; and it was adopted, in concurrence.

Westfield,—
private
ways.

A petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2241) of Donald F. Humason, Jr. and John C. Velis (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Westfield to categorize all certain private ways a public streets, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Transportation.

Reports of Committees.

Barnstable
County,—
early
retirement.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rules 12 and 7A be suspended on the petition of Timothy R. Whelan and others for legislation to establish an early retirement incentive program for Barnstable County. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Whelan of Brewster, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following House bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Licenses.
Driver safety.
Regulations and
Standards.

Relative to drivers licenses for international students (House, No. 1915);
Relative to student driver safety (House, No. 2761);
Relative to the Board of Building Regulations and Standards (House, No. 4053); and

MassPort,—
advisory
commission.

Relative to the Massachusetts Port Authority community advisory committee (House, No. 4101);

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill
enacted.

The engrossed Bill clarifying the applicability of the civil service laws to employee positions in the city of Framingham (see House bill printed in House, No. 4047, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The House Bill relative to the Lake Quinsigamond Commission (House, No. 4039), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

Mr. Vega of Holyoke moved that when the House adjourns today, it do so in respect to the memory of Francis E. Rogers, a member of the House from Holyoke from 1975 to 1978, inclusive; and the motion prevailed.
Accordingly, at twenty-eight minutes before twelve o'clock noon, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.